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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTHY, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, R. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 138, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTHY, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally:—BRAN & BLAKE, San Francisco.

CHINA:—Sutton, QUELOR & CAMPBELL, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow, HENDER & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Manilla, C. HAINES & Co., Macao, L. A. DA SILVA.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, \$500,000 Dollars.

COVENANT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOFFMANN, Esq.
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Shanghai, . . . EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 5 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE.

MR. DALTON SAYLE was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 31st of July, 1876.
SAYLE & Co.
Hongkong, March 16, 1877. ap16

NOTICE.

WE have this Day Established a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI under the Management of Mr. ALFRED F. O. KRAUS, who will sign for us by Procuration.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.
R. H. OAKINS,
Surveyor to Local Offices,
and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.
2, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, March 17, 1877. ap16

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE.

DURING the Temporary Absence of the Undersigned, Mr. EDWARD MOORE will act as Secretary of the Society in Hongkong.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, April 2, 1877. ap17

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRICKSHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 24, 1876.

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 6th April, 1877, at Noon,—
Oilman's Stores, Jams, Raisins, Bonbons, Cotton Socks, Table Knives, Corkscrews, Sailor's Knives, Silk Umbrellas, Water Proof Coats, Writing Ink, Towels, Purse, Pencils, Blacklead, Fowling Pieces.

Also,

2 cases RUM.
2 cases BOOKS, "The Commercial Annals for China, Japan, The Philippines, and The Far East Generally."

Also,

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877. ap6

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 7th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at No. 11, Old Bailey Street, the Residence of J. SOUTHERN, Esq.,—

The whole of his Household FURNITURE, comprising: Rep Covered Chairs, Couches, Mirrors, Clocks, Carpets, Sideboard, Mahogany Wardrobe with Mirror Door, Marble-top Dressing Table, and Washstands, Iron Bedsteads.

Also,

1 HARMONIUM.
Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture will be on view on the Morning of the Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, April 2, 1877. ap7

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 7th day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

An Invoice of JAPANESE LACQUERED WARE, Ivory Carvings, Bronzes, Porcelain Ware, Tortoise-shell Ware, Cabinets, Glove Boxes, Desks, Jewellery Boxes, Inlaid Cabinets, Vases, Tea Sets, Cups, Buttons, Studs, Lockets, Bracelets, Necklaces, Brooches, Earrings, Mother-of-Pearl Ornaments, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877. ap7

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 12th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—

ON THE SPOT
(Unless previously disposed of by Private Sale),

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 54, comprising 10,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 100 feet, and from East to West 100 feet, with a substantial Brick Dwelling House and Out-houses built thereon, known as "Carlton House." Annual Crown Rent, \$131.40.

And,
That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet, with a substantial Brick Godown built thereon.

Also,
That Piece or Unbuilt Levelled GROUND, attached to the above Lot, and Registered in Land Office as same Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet. Annual Crown Rent, \$188.08, for Inland Lot No. 768.

TERMS.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the remainder on completion of the Deed of Transfer. The Buildings will be at purchaser's risk after the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, March 18, 1877. ap14

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
ESTABLISHED 1853.
TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.
Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,
38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.,
Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. M.

BILLIARDS.

MONS. PIERRE CARME, the Champion Cannon Player of the World, will give Three Exhibitions at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY the 6th, FRIDAY the 7th, and SATURDAY the 8th, commencing each Evening at 9 o'clock. The GAME will be 1,000 Points up, when Mons. Carme offers to play him. After the Game, Mons. Carme will Show some Fancy Shots.

Admission—Season Ticket, \$4.
Single Ticket, \$2.

Seats can be secured at the Office of the HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, April 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for China and Japan, for JOSEPH STARKY, LONDON, Manufacturer of GOLD and SILVER LACES, Embroidery, &c., and Military and Naval Appointments of every description.

A Stock of these Goods will be kept on hand, for the Regiments stationed here, as well as for the ENGLISH and AMERICAN NAVIES.
Hongkong, March 14, 1877. ap14

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

COMMENCING ON FRIDAY Next, the 16th instant, the Steamer FUWAN will run as a Night Boat between HONGKONG and CANTON, leaving HONGKONG on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 6.30 p.m., and CANTON on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, at 5.00 p.m.

By Order,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS,

Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Praya, or to Mr. FAR JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.
Hongkong, March 16, 1877. mel9

NOTIFICATION.

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF CUSTOMS, PEKING, 20th March, 1877.

THE FIRST OF APRIL having been sanctioned by Imperial Decree as the date for the Opening of LUNGHU, WUHU, WANGHOU and KAIKOW to Foreign Trade, the Customs Houses there will on that day commence the transaction of business.

In this connection the following appointments have been made:—
Mr. T. DICK to be Commissioner of Customs at Lunghu.
" F. E. WOODRUFF " " Wuhou.
" H. E. HANSON " " Wanghou.
" E. McKAY " " Kai-kow.
Arrangements have not yet been completed for the Discharge and Shipment of Cargo at Sha-shi, Lu-kow, Wa-shah, Hukow, An-king and Tai-tung. Due notice will hereafter be given.

By Order of the Inspector General of Customs,
COLIN JAMIESON,
Chief Secretary, Officiating.

NOTICE.

NEITHER Captain FORBES nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Barque "GARIBALDI" will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Crew.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early Day.

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION:
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.

Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE

DE 1878.

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the CONSULATE all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,
G. BOULOUEZE, Vice-Consul.
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

G. O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON,
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,

Intends to inform his Friends that he intends being ABSENT from HONGKONG for Six or Eight Weeks, leaving early in APRIL.

Hongkong, March 12, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has this Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

187, Leadenhall Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.

20, Old Broad Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

CAPITAL, \$1,000,000 STERLING.
RESERVE FUND, \$340,000.

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. has this Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has appointed Mr. A. MOLVER as its AGENT in HONGKONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT J. LODGE,
Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class Steamer.

A. MOLVER,
Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

NOW READY.

CHUNG-SHUI; OR, THE FUNDAMENTALS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. EITEL. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. EITEL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.
Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.
Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

TO LET.

NO. 3, PUEHILL TERRACE, EIGHT STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Cairns Road, lately occupied by Mr. PARKER.
House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIPP.
Bismar Villa, Pok-fu-lum, Furnished.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road.

The Dwelling House No. 2, Gough Street.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

TO BE LET.

THE PREMISES No. 39, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BURNES COMPANY.

TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE,

THE IRON SCREW STEAMER

"ALBANY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs DOBBIE & Co., under special survey of Lloyd's, and Her MACHINERY AND BOILER were made by Messrs JAMES HOWDEN & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1876, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

DIMENSIONS.—Length between Perpendiculars, 120 feet. Beam, 28 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck, 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Deck to under side of Afting Deck, 7 feet 4 inches.

GROSS TONNAGE.—550 Tons.

CLASS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyd's.

Rig.—Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY.—About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet.)

DRAFT.—Light 9 feet; Loaded 12½ feet.

SPEED.—Eight knots on consumption of 8½ to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coals.

CABIN.—Under Afting Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 30 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 26 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 46 inches in diameter; Stroke 30 inches.

PROPELLER.—Bessmer Steel of 4 Blades, with One Spare Set of Blades.

WINCH.—One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck.

BOILER.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power nominal, High and Low pressure, with Extra Surface Condenser and Tubular Boiler. Consumption, 2 Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturgis, Manilla.

Particulars may be obtained on application to

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

BY TENDER, the whole Stock-in-Trade of the TAKU TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY, consisting of the following Steamers:—

Carrying Capacity:
Steam Tug & Lighter *Algerine*, 3,500 piculs; Pathfinder, 1,800 "

Steam Tug *Orphan*, " "

Little *Orphan*, " "

Tenders will Receive immediate attention.

Apply to
TAKU TUG & LIGHTER Co.,
Taku.

Taku, March 12, 1877. ap80

FOR SALE.

A SET of DR. MORRISON'S Chinese and English DICTIONARY, in FIVE VOLUMES. Price very moderate.

Apply to
WONG MAN YU TONG,
48 A, Hollywood Road.

Hongkong, March 31, 1877. ap7

FOR SALE, AT CANTON.

A STEAM COTTON MILL, well adapted for Working Native COTTON, either NINGPO or TIENTSIN. Capable of Making 8 piculs of Yarn in 12 hours, consisting of:—

Steam Engine and Boiler 18 Horse Power nominal, 1280 Spindles, 12 Carding and 2 Drawing Machines, 1 Speeder 18 Spindles, 1 Stretcher 80 Spindles, 1 Lap Machine, 1 Cotton Gin, Bobbins, &c., with Shafting and Belting Complete.

For Further Particulars and Terms of Sale, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877. ap14

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I., A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 902.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

For Sale.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship

"TAIWAN,"

Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th. Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877. ap8

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"AMOI,"
G. H. DREWES, Master, will be
despatched for the above Port
TO-MORROW, Friday, the 6th instant,
at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap6

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)
The Spanish Schooner
"NUEVO CONSTATE,"
Uriarte, Master, will have
quick despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The Russian Bark
"RURIK,"
Burgeland, Master, will have
quick despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
VOGL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship
"TIBRE,"
Comdt. DE GIRARD, will be
despatched for YOKOHAMA
on FRIDAY, the 6th instant, at Noon.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap6

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship
"IRAOUADY,"
Comdt. GAUVAIN, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
on SATURDAY, the 7th instant, at Noon.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap7

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**
S. S. IRAOUADY.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNERS of Cargo per S. S.
"Cyprien," from London, in con-
nection with the above Steamship, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the
Company's Godowns, whence delivery may
be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before 11 o'clock TO-DAY, request-
ing it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Underwriter.
Goods remaining unclaimed after Tues-
day, the 10th inst., at Noon, will be subject
to rent and landing charges.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap10

THE MERCHANT COMMUNITY OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN.—We have always been of
opinion that to conduct business properly and
amicably a regular system should be estab-
lished whereby goods can be paid for by an
acknowledged rule fair to everybody. You
are no doubt aware that for years past the
dollar question has been a very troublesome
one. Dollars are imported into the Colony
from various sources and of various standards.
The Government of Hongkong, in conjunction
with the High Officers of Canton, have
issued notices ordering Chinese to receive the
American and the Mexican dollars in pay-
ment for goods irrespective of weight; they
are accordingly used here without any diffi-
culty, but the Chinese Merchants of other
Ports come here, and they will only pay for
their goods in dollars at current rate, or
by weight. We sometimes offer dollars, in
payment of business transacted, to foreign
firms, but although good, they are declined.
Traders from other parts are kept away from
doing business in the Colony on this account;
hence the great dullness of trade at present.
With a proper system we feel confident the
trade, which is daily dwindling down, will
speedily revive. We ask you, Gentlemen,
to consider the matter and call a meeting to
devise some settlement of this question,
whereby both Foreign and Chinese Merchants
will be on the same footing. Dollars of all
descriptions, unless spurious, can be used
here, if by weight; it does not matter if
they are old or new to us; "weight"
seems the fairest and simplest plan. We
beg, Gentlemen, to ask your advice on the
matter, and ask you to settle this question
at once and for good, and offer you every
assistance we can give you on our part
in discussing the matter as publicly as
possible.

FROM THE CHINESE COMMUNITY
OF HONGKONG.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap12

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

Atkins Breeze, American bark, Captain
S. Noyes. — Rosario & Co.
Merritt Breeze, American ship, Captain
David Plummer. — Siemens & Co.
Ruska, American 3m. schooner, Capt.
C. W. Hansen. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.
Etno, British bark, Capt. George W.
Tucker. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.
Wieners, British ship, Capt. Mann.
— Meyer & Co.
Isis, Dutch schooner, Captain J. Werter-
feld. — Order.
Rosetta, American bark, Captain
Brown. — Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
Argos, British ship, Captain John
Adger. — Meyer & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. COMPANY.
ON SATURDAY, the 7th instant, the
Company's Officers will be RE-
MOVED to our Premises No. 9, Praya
Central.
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap12

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 4, Iraouaddy, French steamer,
2400, Gauvain, Marcellus Feb. 25, Naples
27, Port Said March 8, Suez 7, Aden 12,
Galle 21, Singapore 28, and Saigon April 1,
Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MAR-
TIMES.
April 5, Taiwan, British steamer, 409,
M. Young, Foochow April 1, Amoy 3, and
Swatow 4, General.—DOUGLAS LAFAIR &
Co.
April 5, Amoy, British steamer, from
Canton.
April 5, Charydis, H. M. corvette, 1606,
T. E. Smith, Shanghai March 23, and
Amoy 3.
April 5, Havilah, British bark, 472,
J. Garthly, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Feb. 5,
Coal.—ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 5, Chai-on, Chi. g.-b., for Canton.
5, Tcho, for Bangkok.
5, Puyet, for Shanghai.
5, U.S.S. Tennessee, for a Cruise.
5, Alice Mary, for Bangkok.
5, Columbian, for Swatow.
5, St. Joseph, for Keelung.
5, Palestine, for Bangkok.
5, Frangio, for Haiphong.
5, Louisa, for Haiphong.

CLEARED.

Norma, for Swatow.
Wenderson, for Iloilo.
Lima, for Taiwan.
Wahki, for Hoihow.
Golden Horn, for Bangkok.
Amoy, for Shanghai.
Flintshire, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

Per Iraouaddy, for Hongkong: from
Marcellus, Hon. and Mrs. Cecil O. Smith, 2
children and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Morris,
Messrs. Otley, Le Gay, Moss, Nelson,
Clark, Daller, Peil and servant, Blackwell,
and MacDonald; from Naples, Mr. and Mrs.
D. Muscott and 3 children and servant;
from Galle, Messrs. Thomas, Hestor, Polson,
Bricol, J. Molin, Bald, Lombardo, and
Oladwick; from Singapore, Mrs. E. Puro,
Messrs. C. E. Hay, Van Leden and 12
Chinese; from Saigon, Sisters Marie
Auguste, Aloisia, de St. Paul, and the
Rev. R. P. Tages, and 32 Chinese. For
Shanghai: from Marcellus, Mrs. Beasley
and 2 children, Mrs. Sillman, Miss Fabre,
Messrs. Gilman, Young, Laidrich, Beasley,
Howie, and Rowley. For Yokohama: from
Marcellus, Mr. Streich.
Per Taiwan, from Coast Ports, Lieut.
White, M.M., Mrs. Young, and 395 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per Petho, for Saigon, Mr. D. B. Grant,
and 1 Chinese; for Singapore, Mr. da
Costa, and 4 Chinese; for Marcellus, Mr.
and Mrs. Peterson and child, Mr. and Mrs.
Deane, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Miss Maria,
Messrs. Giquel, child and amah, Martin
d'Arbelle, Capt. Mathews, Mr. Francisco
Cembrano, and 2 nieces, Mandaria L. Pon
Tuan, and friend and servant, Mandaria
Tuan Ki Tong, friend and 28 Chinese
scholars, Messrs. Henry Smith, Ogden Ed-
wards, J. Mantano, E. Alford, Furlonger,
Morley, Sharp, and Manuel Sarda.—From
Shanghai: for Suez, Mr. Percebois; for
Marcellus, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and
4 children and servant, Messrs. E. H. Tan-
neau, E. J. Hogg, Gijay, W. Wann, J. H.
Dritje, J. M. Murray, and Ballantine.—
From Yokohama: for Marcellus, Mr. and
Mrs. Lemoyne and 2 children, Messrs.
Pellegrin and Powell.
Per Fuyet, for Shanghai, 170 Chinese.
Per Palestine, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.
Per Frangio, for Saigon, 60 Chinese.
Per Louisa, for Haiphong, 20 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Wahki, for Hoihow, 20 Chinese.
Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 30 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Taiwan reports:
Light winds and fine weather throughout.
S. S. Douglas in River Min bound in on
the 1st. In Amoy, H. M. S. Lily and
Nassau, str. Namo, Hailong and Fern-
tower. In Swatow.—Str. Glenyon, Ten-
tain and Chefoo. S. S. Cheong Look Kian
left Swatow for Amoy on the 4th. Passed
S. S. Yess bound North, off Tongai Point,
night of 4th.
The British bark Havilah reports:
Fine weather with moderate winds through-
out the passage, outside light S.W. winds.

CARGO.

Per Petho, sailed 5th April, 1877.—For
Continents, 499 bales Silk, 69 bales Waste
Silk, 5 bales Cocoon, 5 cases Pongees, 14
cases Silks, 350 boxes Tea, 70 rolls Mat-
ting, 1,000 bags Sugar, 1 case Treasure
(\$8,300), and 650 pkgs. Sundries. For
London, 866 bales Silk, 86 bales Waste
Silk, 384 chests, 4,184 boxes and 311 pkgs.
Tea, 18 cases Silk, 10 cases Aniseed Oil,
80 cases Essential Oil, 3 cases Treasure
(\$68,000), and 866 pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per TIBRE, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 6th inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per AMOI, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 6th inst.
For BANGKOK.—
Per RAJANATHANUHA, at 5 p.m.,
on Friday, the 6th inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per IRAOUADY, at 11 a.m., on
Saturday, the 7th inst. Late letters
received from 11.10 to 11.30.
For SWATOW, AMOI, TAIWAN, AND
TAMSUI.—
Per TAIWAN, at 5 p.m., on Saturday,
the 7th inst.
For HAIPHONG.—
Per Barque BEEMA, at 3.50 p.m., on
Wednesday, the 11th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Contract Packet KHIYA,
will be despatched with the Mails for
Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the
12th inst.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 11th inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
5 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.
Thursday, 12th inst.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.
10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra
Postage till
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.
11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only,
addressed to the United Kingdom
Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be
posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,
till
11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally
closed.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap12

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet DJEMNAH,
will be despatched from Hong-
kong on THURSDAY, the 12th
inst., with Mails to and through
the United Kingdom and Europe,
via Marcellus; to Saigon, Singapore,
Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zea-
land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to El. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Azores.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA
by this Packet.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 12th inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.
Thursday, 13th inst.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.
11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
except those to and through Australia
may be posted on payment
of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra
postage, until
11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.
Hongkong, April 5, 1877. ap12

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is extracted from the latest
London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.
Nov. 17, Elias Shaw, from London to
Shanghai.
Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to
Hongkong.
Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 4, Bendulutha, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to
Hongkong.
Dec. 17, Carriks, from London to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 18, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 23, Ivo, from Greenock to Swatow.
Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York
to Shanghai.
Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai.
Dec. 27, Ulysses (str.), from Liverpool to
Shanghai, (leaves Spore, 3rd proximo).
Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to
Hongkong.
Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to
Shanghai.
Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 18, Gryte, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Burryport
to Hongkong.
Feb. 4, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 5, Carrizal, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 5, Daphne, from London to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to
Hongkong.
Feb. 18, Bertha (str.), from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 18, Glaucus (str.), from Liverpool to
Shanghai, (left Singapore, 28th March).
Feb. 17, Therese Selin, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 18, Matchless, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 18, Cactus O., from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 18, Maipu, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 20, Penrhin, from London to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 22, Euld, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, Oaks, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 23, Belled Will, from London to
Shanghai.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Argentina. Candia.
Flora Castle. Gleneara.
Schidra. Teviot.
Sailing Vessels.
Sir Lancelot. Ralston.
City of Aberdeen. Melbark.
Antwerp. Commissary.
Schidra. At Liverpool.
Anchises (str.). Ajax (str.).
Q. W. Ockers. Lord Macaulay.
At Glasgow.
Gleneara (str.). Isle of Eigg.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 7:—

Noon.—Iraouaddy leaves for Shanghai.
2 p.m.—Furniture Sale, at No. 11, Old
Bailey Street.
2 p.m.—Sale of Japanese Curios, &c., at
Mr. J. M. Armstrong's Sale Room.

SUNDAY, April 8:—

Daylight.—Taiwan leaves for Coast Ports
and Formosa.

TUESDAY, April 10:—

Goods per Iraouaddy undelivered after
Noon, subject to rent and landing
charges.

THURSDAY, April 12:—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.
2 p.m.—Sale of Ground, at Queen's
Road East.

SATURDAY, April 14:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, April 20:—

Teresa leaves for Manila on or about this date.

TUESDAY, May 1:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S.S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Tibire leaves for Yokohama.
3 p.m.—Amoy leaves for Shanghai.

Auction.

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Lane, Crawford & Co.

THE

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Established A.D. 1841.

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continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.25 p.m.

MARRIAGE.

On the 5th inst., at the Union Church,
by the Rev. James Lamont, John, only son
of the late Capt. Alexander McCallum, to
MARIE, eldest Daughter of Mr. Robert
Duncan.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1877.

OUR suspicion that neither the length
nor the shortness of the report of the
Mission to Yunnan, or even the asserted
literary incapacity of the Hon. T. G.
Grosvenor, would deprive us of an account
of the important enquiry into Mr. Mar-
gary's murder were apparently well
founded. In the House of Commons on
the 19th February Mr. Stewart asked
the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs
"when the remainder of the papers con-
nected with the expedition to Yunnan,
including Mr. Grosvenor's report, and
also any papers on the recent Convention
between Sir Thomas Wade and the
Chinese Government, would be laid on the
table." Mr. Bourke replied that "they
would be ready in a few days." From
this it may be inferred that we shall be
shortly placed in possession of the report.
It is satisfactory to observe that so much
interest is evinced in the House respect-
ing China matters, and especially in
regard to the Yunnan affair. Probably
the arrival of the Chinese Embassy in
the metropolis has tended to direct the
attention of our legislators a little to this
quarter of the world.

THE United States Diplomatic and Con-
sular Service in the Far East is, we hear,
likely to undergo some important changes
in the course of a few months. We have
already given publicity to the facts that
Mr. John C. Myers, Consul-General for
the United States at Shanghai, has been
suspended, and that Mr. O. B. Bradford
is advertised to assume charge of his
post. Why this step has been taken in
regard to Mr. Myers we are unable to
say. Some time ago, however, on two
Chinese steamers being brought before him
charged with attempting or threatening
to shoot the captain of the vessel on
which they were serving, Mr. Myers was
reported to have told the prisoners, after
sentencing one of them to three years'
imprisonment, that he had power to
inflict a fine of \$3,000 in addition, but
as it was clear to him that they had
been corrupted by the Democratic
party in the United States, whence
the vessel had just arrived, he would
not punish them with undue seve-
rity. It is quite true that the present
administration of the United States is a
Republican and not a Democratic one,
but it is quite possible that these rather
unguarded remarks of Mr. Myers may

have had something to do with his re-
moval. Some other changes of more
importance are, we believe, contemplated
in the service. It is said that the new
Administration has determined to send
the Hon. George Seward to the Court of
St. James as a mark of respect to the
memory of his uncle and of esteem for
himself personally. In connection with
this change it is also said that Mr. Bailey,
the United States Consul at this Port,
will be entrusted with the Peking Mis-
sion; that Major Studer will be trans-
lated from Singapore to Hongkong, or,
failing that movement, that General Van
Buren will be sent here, in which case
the new American Consul at Bangkok,
Mr. Sickles, will be appointed to the post
vacated by the General, in Japan.

"CHINESERY" AT HOME.

OUR London correspondent, who is evi-
dently watching the doings of the Chinese
Embassy with care, calls attention in
the letter which we publish this evening,
to a working of the Embassy which is
undoubtedly worthy of consideration.
All who are acquainted with affairs in
China, are familiar with the extreme
energy with which a certain class of
officials, in part in our own Consular and
Diplomatic Services, and in part in the
service of the Chinese Government
themselves advocate the Chinese side of
every question. Our pro-Chinese Con-
sular authorities have become a by-word,
and it has often been a grave question,
what influence a combinate to make almost
all who learn the Chinese language, lean
so blindly to the native side of every
question with which they have to deal.
It is only just to say that, palpable as
this leaning has been, there has never
been as yet any reason to believe that it
has resulted from anything more than
gratified vanity and the pedantry which
so frequently follows the knowledge of
some subject with which the outside
world is unacquainted. There is some-
thing very tickling to a man's pride to
feel that his special knowledge of very
unfamiliar Chinese hieroglyphics enables
him to judge with so much more accuracy
than ordinary persons about anything
connected with China, from the dirty
and unsavoury viands in Chinese shops
up to the general bearing of foreign re-
lations with the Court of Peking. The
student of tones and particles, blunder-
ing over his pronunciation and his radi-
cals, imagines he possesses the key to all
the mysteries in the Celestial Empire.
Once impressed with this idea—and it is
astonishing how very soon it takes hold
of the Chinese student—he is easily per-
suaded by his teachers that things are
not what they seem, and that only those
opinions on China matters are worth
anything which are formed by clever
people like himself who have learnt the
language and been duly primed up by
their teachers while doing so. This natu-
rally makes him lean towards those
who at once supply and admire his supe-
rior wisdom; and the habit of Mandarin
worshipping ones contracted, goes on
increasing with marked rapidity. The
advocates in the Service of the Chinese
Government have other and more pal-
pable motives for admiring both the
Chinese people and their institutions.
To their suave pig-tailed superiors they
owe good pay, regular employment, and
better treatment than is often experi-
enced at the hands of Europeans—and they
would really be ungrateful if, in dealing
with the Chinese, they were not "to
their faults a little blind." Many of
them are gentlemen of considerable tal-
ent and culture, who, when aided by
the subtle intellect of the Chinese, are
able to "put a case" in a way which
goes far beyond anything that can be
done in the same direction by the most
plausible foreigner not so "instructed."
By these two means the Chinese are
now pretty well represented, and certain-
ly get their "case" well enough stated,
both in the public prints and by means
of influence of a variety of characters in
official quarters. This kind of power,
it seems, is now being gradually brought
into play at home. Let any statement
of a disparaging character appear about
a Chinaman, even if it be to the extent
of his being given the wrong title in the
Court Circular; and an explanation will
be assuredly forthcoming from an *amicus
curiæ* in the form of some Consular ad-
mirer home on leave, or one of the more
regular advocates in the employ of the
Embassy, or of the Representative of the
Imperial Maritime Customs in London.
Whenever a China subject comes forward
a dozen ready pens are placed at the
disposal of the newspapers, who fondly
imagine that as the gentlemen yielding
them speak Chinese and are connected
with Chinese officials, their information
is certain to be of the most reliable de-
scription. In short, the establishment
of the Chinese Embassy will apparently
result in the Chinese being represented
much more fully than has been expected,
and in its becoming still easier than it
has been hitherto to persuade the Home
Authorities to accept Chinese views, in
the advocacy of which the Mandarin
worshipping Consular Official and the
well-paid foreign employé of the Chinese
Government will find congenial occupa-
tion; happy in having a live *Tai Jen* in
whose smiles and admiration they may
bask, at Mr. Hart's Agency or at the
Chinese Embassy, as they did of yore at
the Imperial Customs or the Tsung-tse
Yamen.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Spanish schooner *Nuevo Constate* and
the N. G. brig *Carl*, have been towed over
to the Cosmopolitan Docks for repairs.

At the Marine Court today, *Weng Awa*,

a steward unemployed, was charged by
Adam Hunter, master of the British steam-
er *Wahki*, with having deserted from his
vessel at Haiphong on the 18th February
last. The defendant said the Captain had
used him badly, and used to beat him.
Discharged.

In the Supreme Court to-day, Mr Justice
Snowden sat for a short time to dispose of
a bankruptcy matter, in which one Chui
Apoy otherwise Chui Chun Sang appeared
to pass his last examination. There being
no opposition, the bankrupt was ordered
to come up in a fortnight to apply for his
discharge. Mr Sharp appeared for the
bankrupt.

Letters of Administration were also
granted to Leong Aohow, in the estate of
Leong Ohee. Property was sworn under
\$450.

HONG & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report,

Pagoda Anchorage, 31st March, 1877:—

Arrivals During the Week.—Mar. 24,
Neotor, from Shanghai; 25, Yesso, from
Hongkong; 26, J. Phillips, from Shanghai;
26, Musquito, from Shanghai; 27, Europe,
from Shanghai; 27, Hankwang, from
Shanghai; 28, J. Kromer, from Chetoo;
29, Ling Feng, from Sharp Peak; 30,
Taiwan, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—Mar. 20,
Midge, for Shanghai; 27, Neotor, for Lon-
don; 27, Hoobing, for Shanghai; 27,
Sheldrake, for Shanghai; 28, Yesso, for
Hongkong; 28, Ling Feng, for Sharp Peak.
Shipping in Port.—J. Phillips, Musquito,
Europe, Hankwang, J. Kromer, Taiwan.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library

and Museum for the week ending April
4th, 1877:—

	European.	Chinese.
Thursday, Mar. 29th,	14	387
Friday, 30th,	Holiday	Holiday
Saturday, 31st,	49	294
Sunday, April 1st,	42	Sunday

(Taken at Messrs. Salsbery & Co.'s Office,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.)

BAROMETRICAL	9 A.M.	30.3
Do.	1 P.M.	30.4
Do.	4 P.M.	30.1
THERMOMETER—9 A.M.		55
Do.	1 P.M.	57
Do.	4 P.M.	59

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Reins accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS—STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Quails in Matched, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,
General Agents.

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, September 15, 1873.

MAILS.



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindist, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Also,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship *KHIVA*, Captain LEE, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 12th April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 2, 1877. apl2

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CITY OF TOKIO*, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 14th April, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers' Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bussan S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 13th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 21, 1877. apl4

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GALIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th inst. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 8, 1877. m31

Intimations.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

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